

I call on you to hold an official public hearing in my state.

Before the disastrous 2003 decision to weaken media ownership rules (which a federal court has now overturned), you held only one official public hearing. Further, FCC officials met behind closed doors 71 times with major broadcasters – but only five times with public interest groups. And to justify your actions, you used deceptive, industry-sponsored research data.

The will of Big Media had been heeded at the expense of American citizens and democracy itself. This has to end. Before you rewrite the ownership rules, I demand an official public FCC hearing in my state, impartial and verifiable research, and transparent debates.

It is time to put the needs of democracy – a diverse, skeptical, independent and competitive media system – ahead of profit-hungry media giants.

The FCC rule hurt the consumers. Competition is good but now small Local exchange carriers are charging more than bell. My brother paid for all his service in nashville 29.99, while i paid 39.99. They also had an option for high speed internet he paid 24.99 for high speed. I can afford the high speed from my local carrier so I pad 39.99 for comcast. You guys may think it is good for for consumers but it is killing us.